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CHAPTER 48.

AN ACT to provide for the payment of necessary expenses in the prosecution or defense of civil actions in which the state may be interested.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Payment of expenses of actions by or against the state. Section 1. Whenever the attorney general or his assistants shall in the prosecution or defense of any civil action or proceeding in which the state of Wisconsin may be a party or may have an interest, incur any expense for any abstract of title, clerk of court's fees, sheriff's fees or any other expense actually necessary to the prosecution or defense of such cases, the amount of each account for such expense, stated in detail and verified by affidavit, shall be certified by the attorney general and shall be audited by the secretary of state and paid out of the state treasury.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 49.

AN ACT to appropriate to the governor's contingent fund a sum of money named therein.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Appropriation to governor's contingent fund. Section 1. There is hereby appropriated to the governor's contingent fund, out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropri-

ated, the sum of two thousand dollars per annum for the years 1905 and 1906.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 50.

AN ACT to amend sections 4961 and 4966, of the statutes of 1898, relating to the Wisconsin Industrial School for Boys.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Age limit fixed. Section 1. Section 4961, statutes of 1898, is hereby amended by changing the words "ten" and "eighteen" where they occur in the third line of said section to "eight" and "sixteen," so that the section as amended shall read as follows: Section 4961. The Wisconsin Industrial School for Boys, at Waukesha, shall be the place of confinement and instruction of all male children between the ages of eight and sixteen years who shall be legally committed thereto as vagrants, or on conviction of any criminal offense, or for incorrigible or vicious conduct.

Commitments by courts of record. Section 2. Section 4966 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by striking out the words "courts and several magistrates" in the second line and inserting in lieu thereof the words "courts of records;" by inserting after the word "child" in the third line the words "between the ages of eight and sixteen years;" by striking out the words in the fourth and fifth lines "and they may in their discretion send to said school any such male child who shall be convicted before them" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "or;" by striking out the words "and the county and munipal judge or magistrates" in the sixth and seventh lines, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the said courts;" by strik-